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FCC ANNOUNCES AGENDA AND LEADERSHIP FOR FIRST MEETING OF THE TASK FORCE ON OPTIMAL PSAP ARCHITECTURE

By this Public Notice, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission), consistent with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA),¹ announces the agenda for the first meeting of the Task Force on Optimal PSAP Architecture (TFOPA), to be held on January 26, 2015, from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Room at FCC Headquarters, located at 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554. Notice of this meeting was published in the Federal Register on January 7, 2015.²

The TFOPA is a federal advisory committee that will provide recommendations to the Commission regarding actions that Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) can take to optimize their security, operations, and funding as they migrate to Next Generation 911 (NG911).³ The Chair of the TFOPA will be **Steve Souder**, Director, Department of Public Safety Communications, Fairfax County, VA. The TFOPA will have three initial Working Groups:

Working Group 1: Optimal Approach to Cybersecurity for PSAPs

WG 1 Chair: **Jay English**, Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials (APCO)

Working Group 2: Optimal Approach to NG911 Architecture Implementation by PSAPs

WG 2 Chair: **David Holl**, National Association of State 911 Administrators (State of PA)

Working Group 3: Optimal Approach to Next-Generation 911 Resource Allocation for PSAPs

WG 3 Chair: **Phil Jones**, Washington State Utilities and Transportation Commission

¹ 5 U.S.C. App. 2.

² 80 Federal Register 890-891.

³ See Facilitating the Deployment of Text-to-911 and Other Next Generation 911 Applications, Framework for Next Generation 911 Deployment, PS Docket Nos. 11-153 and 10-255, *Second Report and Order and Third Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, 29 FCC Rcd 9846, 9881 ¶¶ 79-80 (2014).

MEETING AGENDA

1:00 p.m.: Welcome and Opening Remarks

RADM David G. Simpson, USN (Ret.), Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau

1:15 p.m.: Remarks by TFOPA Chair

Steve Souder, Director, Department of Public Safety Communications, Fairfax County, VA

1:30 p.m.: Introduction of TFOPA Members

2:00 p.m.: Presentation on FACA Regulations

Paula Silberthau, Attorney Advisor, Office of General Counsel

2:15 p.m.: TFOPA Working Groups: Overview and Objectives

Timothy May, Policy Analyst, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau
Working Group Chairs

3:15 p.m.: General Discussion

3:45 p.m.: Closing Remarks

Members of the general public may attend the meeting. The FCC will attempt to accommodate as many attendees as possible; however, admittance will be limited to seating availability. The Commission will also provide audio and/or video coverage of the meeting over the Internet from the FCC's web page at www.fcc.gov/live.

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Under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Commission is responsible for oversight of the TFOPA, including its informal working groups.⁴ As a result, FCC staff may participate in meetings or other activities held by both the TFOPA and its informal working groups. In light of this, we are announcing that, pursuant to section 1.1200(a) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1200(a), presentations to the TFOPA, including its working groups, will be treated as exempt presentations for *ex parte* purposes. This treatment is appropriate since presentations to the TFOPA, like comments on a Notice of Inquiry, will not directly result in the promulgation of rules.⁵

⁴ See 5 U.S.C. App. 2.

⁵ See 47 C.F.R. § 1.1204(b)(1) (exempt treatment of presentations regarding a Notice of Inquiry).

For additional information about the meeting, please contact Timothy May or Dana Zelman of the Policy and Licensing Division of the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau. Timothy May can be reached by phone at (202) 418-1463 or by email at Timothy.May@fcc.gov; Dana Zelman can be reached by phone at (202) 418-0546 or by email at Dana.Zelman@fcc.gov.

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